

REMARKS

Applicant elects with traverse to prosecute species I, claims 1-9 and 13-18. Applicant traverses the restriction.

The present application is a national stage application of a PCT application. Therefore, the claims have unity of invention under 37 C.F.R. §1.475. The claims have a single general inventive concept, and there is a technical relationship among the claims that involves at least one common or corresponding technical feature which each claimed invention, considered as a whole, makes over the prior art (MPEP 1893.03(d)). The claims all recite a fluid connection assembly including a housing, a tube, a seal, a retainer and a locating feature. All the claims recite this common technical feature, and there is a single inventive concept. There is unity of invention. The restriction requirement is improper. Therefore, Applicant respectfully requests examination of claims 1-19.

Examination of the application is requested. No additional fees are seen to be required. If any additional fees are due, however, the Commissioner is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 50-1482, in the name of Carlson, Gaskey & Olds, P.C., for any additional fees or credit the account for any overpayment. Therefore, favorable reconsideration and allowance of this application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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